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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Tatsuo HOSHINO, et al.

Serial No.: 09/727,855

Filed: December 1, 2000

For: PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF CAROTENOIDS AND BIOLOGICALLY USEFUL MATERIALS THEREOF

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Attention: Examiner Nashed

Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is filed in response to a telephonic Examiner's Interview conducted on September 16, 2004 ("Interview"), during which the Examiner recommended several amendments to the claims to place the application in condition for allowance. Entry of this Amendment respectfully is requested.

It is believed that no fee is due. If it is determined that a fee is due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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